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News in Brief

Spirit deployment issue set

The March 28 issue of the *Whiteman Spirit* will be solely dedicated to deployed 509ers and the deployment of Whiteman's assets. The *Whiteman Spirit* will return to its normal format for the April 4 issue.

Tax office to relocate

The Whiteman tax office relocates to the legal office in Bldg. 509 March 31. Tax returns can be filed through April 15. To make an appointment, call 687-3800.

Stop Loss briefings set

Stop Loss briefings begin at 3 p.m. Wednesday and 10 a.m. Thursday at the base theater. For more details, call Tech. Sgt. Shannon Moore at 687-1500.

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Weather

Saturday

Partly cloudy



H 59°
L 37°

Sunday

Partly cloudy



H 62°
L 40°

For more complete weather information, visit <https://www.whiteman.af.mil/509oss/osw/index.htm>. Courtesy of 509th OSS/OSW



Photo by Senior Airman Tia Schroeder

Here we come

OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM— A B-2 en route to its forward deployed location pulls up for refueling by a KC-135R Stratotanker from the 407th Expeditionary Air Refueling Squadron. The B-2s left Whiteman March 12 for their first operational deployment in B-2 history. Air refueling crews and aircraft are forward deployed in support of the war on terrorism.

One heck of a roar

Whiteman makes history with first forward B-2 deployment

By Airman Joe Lacdan
Public Affairs

The roar of B-2s leaving Missouri's skies echoed throughout the western region of the state March 12 as the world's most powerful aircraft deployed for combat in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. More than 200 airmen left here as members of the 40th Expeditionary Operations Group, 393rd Expeditionary Bomb Squadron, 509th Expeditionary Aircraft Maintenance Squadron and the 509th Munitions Squadron in the first operational deployment in B-2 history.

"This operational deployment will show the world the B-2 is a (forward) deployable combat weapon," said Lt. Col. Scott Land, 40th EOG commander.

The move marked a bold step toward full operational capability for the B-2, said Lt. Col. Gavin Ketchen, 393rd EBS commander. Ketchen said sustaining a combat operation while keeping in mind the B-2's low-observable properties will prove the 509th Bomb Wing's FOC.

The deploying airmen left here anxious but ready to execute that mission. Months of planning, preparations, training and exercise led to this event. Some of the airmen underwent ground, simulator and flight training in addition to mobility preparations, Land said.

"Our focus is on combat employment," said Ketchen, who will be responsible for the safe and efficient execution of the mission. "We train like we are going to fight."

Crew chiefs, specialists, weapons loaders, bomb builders and structures troops embarked with mixed feelings about the possible conflict in the Middle East.

"Everyone is feeling the full range of emotions," said



Photo by Tech.I Sgt. Mike Nixon

Staff Sgt. Alan Reed, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron crew chief, guides the *Spirit of Pennsylvania* before it takes off for its first operational deployment March 14.

Ketchen. "It's always tough to leave your family and deploy. But this is our opportunity to (use) our awesome firepower."

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Wielding the big stick with liberty in the balance

By Lt. Col. Scott Vander Hamm
325th Bomb Squadron

"You are probably acquainted with the old proverb: 'Speak softly and carry a big stick — you will go far.' If a man continually blusters, if he lacks civility, a big stick will not save him from trouble; and neither will speaking softly avail, if back of the softness there does not lie strength, power." — Theodore Roosevelt

A position of strength and resolve

What a treat it was to hear our Commander in Chief, President George W. Bush, address the nation from the East Room of the White House. He clearly articulated his vision for this great nation as we stand on the precipice of war. Active-duty, Reserve, Guard, civilian and government service members can stand proud as we defend liberty and avenge those from whom it has been taken ... our 509th motto — *Defensor Vindex!*

There is no person who wants peace more than those who willingly risk their lives for their country, family and way of life. In visiting many of you, I have yet to meet someone who wants to take a life. On the contrary, our readiness and willingness to pursue peace through strength should not be confused with an attitude of warmongering or a lust for war.

"Blessed are the peacemakers," not peace-lovers ... action makes our words and diplomacy operative. Teddy Roosevelt said it best: "a bold front tends to insure peace and not strife ... Diplomacy is utterly useless where there is no force behind it; the diplomat is the servant, not the master, of the soldier."

Our leadership understands this concept of "wielding the big stick." President Bush said during his press conference, "I hope we don't have to go to war, but if we go to war, we will disarm Iraq. And if we go to war, there will be a regime change."

When our president said "we," he meant all of us!



Photo by Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp

Lt. Col. Scott Vander Hamm, 325th Bomb Squadron commander, reviews paperwork with Tech. Sgt. Harvey Catchings, 325th BS.

Threat to our liberty

The threat to our freedom is real. Our country has been attacked and remains under the threat of attack. Do we think for a moment our enemy will show us mercy? We know, in fact, the opposite to be true.

The World Trade Center and the Pentagon were only

two of numerous targets that could've been struck Sept. 11, 2001. If it hadn't been for swift action by then -Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Richard Myers, we would have been grieving the deaths of thousands more Americans. The grounding of civil aviation after the WTC attack prevented a rolling catastrophe that would've swept across our nation.

Price of liberty

We, like our nation's leaders, have taken an oath to support and defend the constitution of the United States against all enemies. Members of the 509th live out that oath, at home and abroad. Defending the constitution and our liberty requires a price.

One of my troops is expecting her first child next month. Her husband, also a Whiteman member, was notified that he must deploy in less than a week. I had the privilege to speak with him and like most commanders, I asked a few probing questions. I was impressed by his attitude and his compelling sense of duty. His answer was a resounding, "Yes," he will deploy. Yes, he will miss the birth of his first-born, but his resolve to deploy in support of our mission was immovable.

Our leaders know that those serving the nation are making tremendous sacrifices.

President Bush said, "I thank the men and women of our armed services and their families. I know their deployment so far from home is causing hardship for many military families. Our nation is deeply grateful to all who serve in uniform. We appreciate your commitment, your idealism and your sacrifice. We support you, and we know that if peace must be defended, you are ready."

Thank you Team Whiteman for the daily sacrifices you make to accomplish our mission. Many veterans have preceded you as you embark on this mission of peacemaking emboldened and empowered by our position of strength. May God bless you and America as you "Strike First" to bring about a swift and decisive defeat to our enemies.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Nick Martin

Poison prevention

Tech. Sgt. Tony Barrie, 509th Medical Support Squadron, teaches second graders about household poisons as part of National Poison Prevention Week. Parents can help protect children from accidental poisonings by posting the 800-222-1222 poison control center telephone number near the phone; removing nonessential drugs and household items from the home; and keeping toxic products out of reach of children. To help keep children safe, Barrie suggests crawling around the house to inspect it from a child's point of view. The 509th Medical Group Pharmacy is collecting expired and unwanted medicines 10 a.m.-5 p.m. today and Saturday at the base exchange.

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Members of the 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron and augmentees helped load 180.2 tons of cargo. Maj. Bruce Bartholomew, 509th LRS operations officer, said Whiteman united to prepare for the event.

"It was an entire Whiteman effort because of augmentees that helped us move the cargo," Bartholomew said. "I'm absolutely thrilled to be the leader of the deployment process. Without the hard work of the LRS folks and dedicated augmentees we would not have been as successful as we were."

The event drew numerous national and local media, including live coverage by Fox News Channel and CNN.

Col. Doug Raaberg, 509th BW commander, hosted town hall meetings March 3 at Mission's End to address concerns of military spouses whose husbands were currently deployed or preparing to deploy.

As approached war, Raaberg urged families to remember that Whiteman families are in this together.

There was no farewell ceremony or

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Lt. Col. Scott Land

40th Expeditionary Operations Group Commander

rally to wish the deploying Whiteman members luck, only the promise that they'll receive support from their families and the troops left behind.

Land and Ketchen thanked the Whiteman members.

"We would like to thank all the 509ers that made this happen," Ketchen said. "It takes all of us in a focused effort to put bombs on target!"

Land said he'll miss everyone here. "I look forward to seeing everyone when we



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Mike Nixon

Lt. Col. Gavin Ketchen, 393rd Expeditionary Bomb Squadron commander, and Lt. Col. Scott Vander Hamm, 325th Bomb Squadron commander, say farewell to 509th Munitions Squadron members Tech. Sgt. Kevin Delery and Staff Sgt. Phillip Prichard.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Michael Gaddis

Whiteman cargo deployment function augmentees load equipment onto a C-5 Galaxy March 10. Overall, Whiteman members loaded 180.2 tons of cargo.

16 Whiteman members earn E-8 promotion

WASHINGTON (AFPN) — The Air Force selected 1,612 of 15,831 eligible master sergeants for promotion. Of those selected, 16 Whiteman members were selected for promotion Wednesday under a familiar critical skills program that for the first time is being applied to E-8 and E-9 promotion cycles.

The wing had an overall 16.67 percent selectee rate, which was higher than Air Force at 10.18 percent and Air Combat Command at 9.20 percent stats.

The senior master sergeant selectees are:

Bobby Jackson and **Daniel Sherwood**, 509th Mission Support Squadron,

Charles Blakeman, 509th Security Forces Squadron, **James Askren**, **Ricky Brown**, **Larry Duncan**, **James Kiplinger**, **Michael Montgomery** and **Scott Savage**, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron,

John Olmeda, 509th Munitions Squadron,

Jimmie Ashcraft, **David Myette** and **Paul Smith**, 509th Maintenance Squadron,

Douglas Landry and **Jose Palasi**, 509th Operations Support Squadron, and

Rebecca Nordin, 72nd Test and Evaluations Squadron.

Under the Chronic Critical Skills program, officials identified 25 career fields to be classified as "critical" skills for the 03E8 promotion cycle. While the overall selection rate for this cycle, 10.18 percent, is the highest seen across the board since 1987, the move pushed average selection percentages, depending on the multiplier applied, to anywhere from 9.64 to 30.88 percent.

The effort to expand the CCS program to the two highest enlisted ranks began during the 03E8 central evaluation board and final approval came only days ago, said officials.

Senior NCOs in AFSCs manned at or below 70 percent with less than 25 people eligible for promotion received a multiplier of 3.0; those manned at or below 70 percent with more than 25 people eligible for promotion received a multiplier of 1.4; and those manned above 70 percent but less than 90 percent received a multiplier of 1.2.

Future CCS skills will be announced before the central evaluation board for each promotion cycle.

The cycle 03E8 Senior Master Sergeant Evaluation

Board met Jan. 22 to Feb. 7.

The average total score of selectees during the cycle was 669.10 points. Average selectee score breakdowns are:

- ✓ 36 points, time in grade
- ✓ 21.01 points, time in service
- ✓ 135 points, performance reports
- ✓ 20.08 points for decorations
- ✓ 68.83 points for U.S. Air Force Supervisory Examination

✓ 388.17 points for evaluation board score

In addition, the average selectee has 5.04 years time in grade and 19.99 years time in service.

Those selected for promotion to senior master sergeant automatically receive a school quota for the Senior NCO Academy, and 357 non-selects are scheduled to attend with a list of 720 alternates, officials said.

Senior master sergeant selectees will be promoted beginning in April. The complete list of promotion and Senior NCO Academy selections will be posted on the AFPC Web site by Saturday at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/eprom>.

U.S. Representatives speak at BCC luncheon

By 2nd Lt. Kat Ohlmeyer
Public Affairs

U.S. Rep. Duncan Hunter, chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, visited Whiteman March 14. As part of his visit, Hunter served as the guest speaker at the monthly base community council luncheon.

The featured communities were California and Holden, Mo. More than 175 people were in attendance to hear the chairman speak. U.S. Rep. Ike Skelton from Missouri's 4th District joined Hunter at the luncheon.

Before introducing Hunter, Skelton made a few remarks.

"I remember very well those days when I was trying to get the Pentagon to name Whiteman Air Force Base as the first of the five stealth bomber bases. One of my selling points was the wonderful support that the local communities gave to Whiteman," he said. "That was true then and it's very true now."

Skelton mentioned how proud he was of the men and women of the 509th Bomb Wing who are currently deployed.

"I know you will give not only those deployed, but also the families that stay here, your special thoughts and prayers during this difficult time in our country's history," he said.

Hunter began by thanking Col. Doug Raaberg, 509th BW commander, and Whiteman for their hospitality and the opportunity to sit in the cockpit of the B-2 for the first time.

"What a wonderful time to come out here and see the folks who keep our freedom and to see these great machines that are a result of American ingenuity, craftsmanship and capability," the chairman said.

Hunter then shared his thoughts on the position of the United States in terms of the big picture of national security.

The chairman said the United States has a tendency to do whatever it takes to achieve freedom and has done so three times over the past century. He said the United States saved the world in World War I, World War II and the Cold War.

"When I was recently asked to comment on Germany, I commented that I thought they have very quickly forgotten that life-line that was the Berlin Airlift that only the United States of America could maintain to keep Berlin alive," he said.



Photo by 2nd Lt. Ed Gulick

U.S. Rep. Duncan Hunter, Chairman of the House Armed Services committee, and U.S. Rep. Ike Skelton from Missouri's 4th District, answer media questions at the base community council luncheon March 14.

However, Hunter said that after each major conflict the United States has been involved in, the nation downsized its military and defense strength.

"Now here we are in the new century that we all prophesied would be the new peaceful century," the chairman said. "I think that the message of the tremendous attack on America on Sept. 11 2001 was that we need to remain strong. And not only that we have to remain strong, but that this is a very dangerous century that we live in."

For that reason, Hunter said he and the other Armed Services Committee members will work "with every ounce of their energy" to make sure the United States has enough power to win overwhelmingly two simultaneous conflicts.

Hunter also stressed that the United States has not only displayed its military strength over the years, but also its goodness and benevolence.

He pointed out that after the campaign in Afghanistan,

the United States had given more in the way of medicine, food and other humanitarian needs to the people of Afghanistan than the rest of the world combined. The chairman also mentioned the end of World War II, when American soldiers walked down the streets of defeated Tokyo and handed out Hershey's bars to the children.

"That's the American style," Hunter said. "That's the goodness that we have brought, not only to our own country, but to people around the world. Our people in uniform, they are absolutely the best of the best."

"So it's neat for me to be here with you and with my great partner Ike to celebrate all these people living in your community who wear the uniform of the United States."

After a standing ovation from the audience, Raaberg presented Hunter with a gift from the 509th BW and thanked him for his continued support of the military and Whiteman Air Force Base.

AFMC commander visits Whiteman, learns about 509th mission

By Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp
Public Affairs

Nearly four years ago, Gen. Lester Lyles received a glimpse of what the 509th Bomb Wing and the B-2 can do. But during a recent visit here, he learned what it's like to be a member of the 509th.

The commander of Air Force Materiel Command received a B-2 orientation flight and toured base facilities March 6-7. He said he was honored to fly with the unit and have the opportunity to visit again.

"It's just fantastic to see how the plane actually operates," he said.

When the general visited for a few hours in June 1999, 509th BW members had just completed its first combat missions as part of Operation Allied Force over Kosovo. However, during this visit, the general saw first-hand how wing members are on the cusp of being deployed to a forward location.

"This wing is always prepared," Lyles said. "(Back then) I had the opportunity to review some of those missions, mission tapes and talk with some of the pilots who were part of (Kosovo) and what they did. I became convinced, if I wasn't already, this organization is on the step."

"I know that if something happens with the current world situation that (509ers) are prepared and trained. The jet is prepared and the maintenance is superb," the general



Photo by Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp

Staff Sgt. Lou Jones and Airman 1st Class Melissa Wells, 394th Combat Training Squadron Life Support Section, fit test an oxygen mask for Gen. Lester Lyles, commander of Air Force Materiel Command.

said. "There's absolutely no doubt in any minds of the Air Force or DOD leaders this unit will be there and will do everything perfectly."

Lyles said the members of the 509th are

the "poster children" for being dedicated to the mission.

"I had the opportunity to shake the hands of the men and women who are on the line taking care of the crews and the mission

here," he said. "I can see it in their eyes that they are proud. It's one thing to work on the existing legacy weapons systems we have, but to be part of this and make sure everything is working perfectly (shows commitment)."

The general said his B-2 flight would be remembered for a long time, but every step leading up to the take off is just as important.

"I don't think we thank people enough for the great jobs they're doing and the sacrifices they are making," Lyles said. "Whenever I go anywhere, whether it's in my command or another command, or dealing with enlisted, officer or civilians, the first thing I tell (people) is, 'Thank (you) for your dedication, success, hard work and sacrifices.'"

Lyles' command conducts research, development, test and evaluation, and provides acquisition management services and logistics support that keeps Air Force weapons systems combat ready. He said he wants people to know that his command is doing everything possible to provide the support needed.

"Our reason for existing is to make sure we are supporting the warfighter," Lyles said. "In this case, we want to get everything you need to ensure your mission is successful."

AFMC headquarters is at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio.

Instructor receives master sergeant stripe

By Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp

Public Affairs

A 509th Mission Support Squadron member received an unexpected stripe March 11.

Then-Tech. Sgt. Mark Carter, received the promotion through the Stripes for Exceptional Performers program.

Carter was giving a tour of the airman leadership school to Col. Gary Finchum, 509th Mission Support Group commander, when he heard the building called to attention.

The ALS flight instructor thought Finchum was the highest-ranking person in the building and didn't know Lt. Gen. Bruce Carlson, 8th Air Force commander, and Col. Doug Raaberg, 509th Bomb Wing commander, were about to pay him a visit.

"I didn't believe Colonel Raaberg would be entering the building because he and General Carlson were supposed to be at the bomb wing (building) to re-enlist about 20 people," Carter said. "So, I went to investigate and as I turned the corner, a barrage of people met me."

Carter said he saw a photographer, his wife, the general and the 509th BW commander before things started to blur. From there, everyone in the area went to the ALS auditorium so Carlson could re-enlist Carter. At least, that's what Carter thought.

As the ceremony began, Carlson said, "Sergeant Carter you know that you are supposed to state your rank and full name, and repeat after me."

With a raised brow and a quivering voice, Carter said, "OK." As Carter continued, he said his rank, but was



Photo by Tech. Sgt. Mike Nixon

Mark Carter's master sergeant stripes are tacked on by Chief Master Sgt. Keith Cobb, 509th Bomb Wing command chief master sergeant, and Col. Doug Raaberg, 509th BW commander, as Lt. Gen. Bruce Carlson, 8th Air Force commander, looks on.

stopped in midsentence. The commanders then gave Carter the master sergeant stripes.

Under the STEP program, people earn an on-the-spot promotion based upon career achievements and other factors such as character, awards and service to community.

"I am overwhelmed with joy," said the Baltimore native. "I feel so blessed because God has surrounded me with people who care about the development of others."

In the five years at Whiteman, Carter worked with contractors and the base civil engineers to renovate the

14,000-square-foot ALS building into a \$2 million state-of-the-art educational and dormitory facility. He completed a dual master of arts degree in human relations and management. He also volunteered more than 800 hours between 2000 and 2001.

The 19-year Air Force veteran said this promotion wouldn't have been possible without God, the support of his wife, Linda, and the people who helped him gain the experience he has.

"Thanks to all who see the leader in me," Carter said.

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Col. (Dr.) David Kenagy, 509th Medical Group commander, hands the guidon to Lt. Col. Robert Hontz, 509th Medical Operations Squadron commander, as Master Sgt. Ben Bachman, 509th MedGp first sergeant, looks on.

509th MDOS holds change of command

Name: Lt. Col. Robert Hontz
Squadron: 509th Medical Operations Squadron
Date assumed command: March 13
Previous assignment: Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, Landstuhl, Germany.
Time in service: 19 years; 13 years active duty and six Air Force Reserve.
Commissioning source: Direct
Family: Wife, Nancy, son, Andrew, and daughter, Allison.
Hobbies: Home improvement, golf and outdoor recreation.
Why is the squadron important to the

Air Force mission? Our squadron keeps our warriors healthy. "Without medics — you die!"

Command philosophy: If you walk past a problem, you have just blessed it.

Goals for new position:

✓ Get up to speed fast and begin contributing to our mission.

✓ Our goal remains to keep our flyers, support staff, and families healthy physically and psychologically prepared to handle the high operations tempo. This is our main focus and will not change.

✓ We will work daily to promote our airmen's professional growth and development.



Photo by Airman Joe Lacdan

Healthy living

Maj. Rebecca Steckel, 509th Medical Support Squadron, right, talks with Lt. Col. Karen Davies, 442nd Fighter Wing, about a Women's Health Risk Assessment survey as part of National Women's History Month activities. "Women Pioneering the Future" is this year's theme. In the Air Force, women comprise 19 percent of the force and serve in 99 percent of the career fields.

Who was the most influential woman in your life and why?

(Editor's Note: To celebrate Women's History Month, the Whiteman Spirit is publishing answers to this question.)

By Senior Airman Theresa Ross
 509th Services Squadron

"The most influential woman in my life is Veronica Alexander, my mother. Growing up in Chicago wasn't always easy, but she did the best she could to keep my brothers and I off the street. As a single parent, she taught us there's more to life than selling drugs and having babies.

"When I made the decision to join the military, a lot of people doubted me. It's almost three and a half years later, and I'm still here with her still by my side keeping me focused.

"If I chose only one word to describe her, it would have to be queen. That is what my mother is to me: a queen!"



Whiteman Spirit Award



Tech. Sgt. Donald Goodman
509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron

Tech. Sgt. Donald Goodman, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, received the Whiteman Spirit Award from Col. Doug Raaberg, 509th Bomb Wing commander, Monday.

Master Sgt. Daniel Fenton, Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., nominated Goodman for the award.

In February, Fenton made a permanent-change-of-station move from Whiteman to Maxwell. The day came to pack two 24-foot moving trucks. Goodman lived down the street and saw Fenton pull up with the trucks.

Goodman had taken leave for the day and decided to help Fenton load the trucks. They started loading the trucks at 8 a.m. and didn't finish until 10 p.m., said Fenton. After loading the trucks, Fenton needed to load his car on a trailer.

"Sergeant Goodman helped me load the car and drove me to a local department store to buy tie-down straps," said Fenton. Goodman even helped Fenton find ways to protect the wheels from rubbing on the trailer.

"He truly showed the Whiteman Spirit," said Fenton. "He was the only one who volunteered to help me move and even took a day of his own leave to do it. This truly reflects his kindness and the Whiteman spirit."

Personally Speaking

Duty Title: Squadron personnel readiness program monitor

Time on station: 2 years, 8 months

Time in service: 16 years

Hometown: Costa Mesa, Calif.

Spouse: Janice

Children: Christopher, 13, and Jessica, 12

Goals: Complete the nine hours needed for my bachelor's degree from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

Hobbies: Building a home and spending time with my family, golfing, boating and weightlifting.

Pet Peeves: Military members not adhering to standards when they know them.

Best thing about Whiteman: Being part of a team that gives you a hand when you're not expecting the help.

What motivates your winning spirit? Being part of a supreme force that supports an elite aircraft, the B-2 and giving the American people their freedom.

If you could change one thing about Whiteman, what would it be? Provide a family campground so members and their family can enjoy the surrounding area in a safe and controlled environment.

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Civilian Employee of the Week

Stacie Toole was nominated for this award by Lt. Col. Rickey Turner, 509th Security Forces Squadron commander. As the only civilian the squadron, Toole tracks correspondence coming into the command section and keeps the commander's calendar up-to-date. "She's my gatekeeper to ensure people who need to see me have the opportunity to do so in a timely manner," Turner said. "She goes far beyond her scheduled duties." Toole actively participates in squadron activities to include serving breakfast during a morning shift change, being the unit Volunteer Income Tax Assistance representative and ensuring squadron members have the support they need.

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Air Force Aid Society helps base members

By Master Sgt. Dee Ann Poole
Public Affairs

When more than 200 people left last week as part of the 509th Bomb Wing's first operational deployment, the Air Force Aid Society was ready. Each deploying member received a prepaid phone card to help stay in touch with loved ones.

Col. Doug Raaberg, 509th BW commander, said at recent town hall meetings he conducted for family members, a top concern is taking care of families.

He said donating to AFAS is one way base members can help or potentially help people on Whiteman.

"The Air Force Aid Society is extremely important. It helps people who wear the blue suit. Money given to AFAS is a tangible benefit through the various programs" AFAS offers, the commander said.

In 2002, Team Whiteman contributed \$16,733 toward AFAS as part of the Air Force Assistance Fund campaign.

In return, base members received \$220,194 to help with emergencies, education and community-enhancement pro-

grams. This was \$203,461 more than was contributed on base.

Here's the breakdown:

Emergency assistance	\$112,925
Loans	\$111,581
Grants	\$1,344
Education	\$60,000
Community-enhancement programs	\$47,269
Bundles for Babies	\$1,967
Car Care Because We Care	\$2,132
Child Care for PCS	\$3,521
Child Care for Volunteers	\$6,915
Give Parents a Break	\$9,084
Heart Link	\$1,200
Nursing Moms	\$10,430
Phone Cards	\$5,200
Wellness	\$674
Youth Employment Skills	\$6,146

This year's AFAS campaign ends April 18. To donate to one of the four charities under the AFAS umbrella, contact your squadron representative.

For more details about AFAS, talk with your squadron representative or turn to the Commander's Access Channel, Channel 99 on base, to see the AFAS video at 5 p.m. Monday, 8 and 11 a.m. Tuesday, 5 p.m. Thursday, or 8 and 11 a.m. March 28.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Nick Martin

Robin Smith, 509th Mission Support Squadron family and work life consultant, talks about a family budgeting plan at a Bundles for Babies meeting.

Volunteers can help with financial fitness

By Master Sgt. Dee Ann Poole
Public Affairs

A new base program to help people become financially fit is in the initial planning stages.

Robin Smith, a family and work life consultant at the family support center, is calling on base members to become unit financial specialists. These volunteers will learn basic budgeting techniques to help squadron members.

Training will include preparing spending plans and budgeting for moves. The unit financial specialists will also learn about basic training programs and resources to provide each squadron with current budgeting information, Smith said.

"They'll also be trained in current but

basic Air Force Aid Society procedures and situations when AFAS can and cannot be used," he said. "I will also teach them about AFAS community-enhancement programs where grant money is available."

Once trained, the unit financial specialists can serve as an additional source of guidance to help troops maintain financial management.

Unit financial specialists who deploy can take with their expertise and help deployed troops as well.

Training will take place in late April and early May. However, Smith said he will plan training around schedules and independent needs, based upon the volunteers and squadrons participating.

To volunteer, call Smith at 687-7132 by April 15.

ESOH CAMP Countdown: 24 Days



Photo by Master Sgt. Dee Ann Poole

Loren Trotter, 509th Civil Engineer Squadron, secures compressed-gas cylinders in the heating, ventilation and air conditioning shop.

(Editor's Note: The 509th Bomb Wing undergoes an external Environmental Safety and Occupational Health Compliance Assessment Management Program evaluation April 13-18. The 509th Civil Engineer Squadron Environmental Office will provide tips and other information to help 509ers prepare for the event. This week's topic is compressed-gas cylinders.)

People who handle compressed-gas cylinders must ensure:

- ✓ They're properly handled, stored and used by members.
- ✓ They're secured to prevent falling.
- ✓ "NO SMOKING" signs are posted where containers are stored.
- ✓ Carbon dioxide or dry chemical fire extinguishers are available where flammable cylinders are stored.
- ✓ Flammable cylinders aren't stored

near flammable or combustible liquids or other materials.

- ✓ Oxidizers aren't stored with flammable cylinders.
- ✓ Storage areas are secured to protect against unauthorized entry.
- ✓ Hazard identification signs are on entrances to locations where compressed gases are stored.
- ✓ Cabinets used to store gases are labeled on the front in red letters: "Hazardous Keep Fire Away."
- ✓ Self-contained breathing apparatus are available where toxic gases are stored.
- ✓ An emergency response plan is established wherever compressed gas cylinders are stored, used or handled.



Photo by Airman 1st Class Nick Martin

Staff Sgt. Tom Methvin, 509th Communications Squadron, works on a laptop computer at the network control center.

Tips help keep viruses at bay

Virus attacks can happen to anyone at any time. It's important base members know how to recognize a virus warning and use proper procedures to protect their computer and the Whiteman network.

How do you know your computer is infected with a virus?

- ✓ Norton AntiVirus alerts with a pop-up box when a suspected virus is present.
- ✓ The computer may act strange, i.e. programs open or close on their own, or the system operates slower than normal.

What should you do if you suspect you have a virus?

- ✓ Disconnect the computer from the network by unplugging the local

area network cable. The LAN cable has a plastic jack similar to the one on a phone cord.

- ✓ Never turn off or delete anything!
- ✓ Call your workgroup manager, who is trained to help.

- ✓ If you can't reach your WGM, call the network help desk 687-5666.

What should you do if you get an e-mail warning of a possible virus?

Call your WGM. Many hoax e-mails instruct users to delete files that are critical to the computer's operating system. Question your WGM before following directions in an e-mail. If you can't reach your WGM, call the network help desk 687-5666. (Courtesy of the 509th Communications Squadron)

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1st Sergeant's View

(Editor's note: The 1st Sergeant's View gives Whiteman first sergeants a chance to remind people of correct uniform wear, customs and courtesies, and proper military decorum. Each week, a different first sergeant will share their view.)

By Master Sgt. Brent Snyder

509th Services Squadron Additional Duty
First Sergeant

As a young airman, you've probably asked yourself why your supervisor or senior NCO have been in your business lately. Think of it as your parents, someone else close to you or a high school teacher guiding you in new ways.

The Air Force has practiced mentoring for many years. Mentoring was recently formalized as an essential ingredient in developing well-rounded, professional and competent future leaders.

Mentoring is a relationship in which a person of greater experience and wisdom helps guide the professional development of a more junior person. The goal of mentoring is to help people reach their full potential. The primary responsibility for mentoring rests with each rater or supervisor; however, others may also serve as mentors.

Mentoring isn't a sponsor, grooming or promotion-enhancement program. It's not for only a select few who have been identified as fast burners. It's a professional development program that encourages open communication between a senior and junior member about such things as core values, career development, duty performance, professional reading programs, professional associations, and professional and advanced education.

Several initiatives were recently completed to help make the mentoring program more effective. Air Force Instruction 36-3401, Air Force Mentoring, provides guidance on how to start and manage a mentoring program.

Mentoring seeks to fully develop members who are competent, understand their place in the mission and are motivated to find solutions to problems. The first step is personal and professional development.

According to the AFI, mentoring is an essential ingredient in developing well-rounded professionals and competent future leaders. It's done one on one, formally and informally, and in meetings



Photo by Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp

Airmen 1st Class Shawanda Draper and Latisha Banks, Master Sgt. Brent Snyder, and Tech. Sgt. Elsie Houey, 509th Services Squadron, work on the food service line at the Ozark Inn dining facility.

like commander's calls.

Mentoring can be accomplished at any time. An excellent opportunity is during performance feedback sessions, although mentoring shouldn't be limited to only these sessions. The enlisted and officer

performance feedback worksheets were revised to include mentoring as a topic to discuss and document during feedback. Make sure these feedback or mentoring sessions get accomplished for our future leaders.

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Senior Airman Sheryl Butler, 509th Medical Support Squadron bioenvironmental technician, calibrates air sampling pumps.



Photos by Airman Joe Lacdan

Senior Airman Kelly Johnson, 509th Medical Support Squadron, helps secure the mask of Airman 1st Class Hans Umhoefer, 509th MDSS. The protective gear is used when checking for radiation. They are members of the bioenvironmental flight.



Senior Airman Kelly Johnson, 509th Medical Support Squadron, takes a water sample at Outfall No. 4 on the north side of the base.



Bioenvironmental technician Airman 1st Class Hans Umhoefer, 509th Medical Support Squadron, practices using equipment that checks for radiation.

Whiteman's bioenvironmental staff: Best in ACC

By Airman Joe Lacdan
Public Affairs

Whiteman's bioenvironmental lab won the Air Combat Command Outstanding Bioenvironmental Engineering Flight/Element of the Year for fiscal 2002. Whiteman was selected first among 17 ACC bases.

"The thing that sets this group apart is simply the people," said 1st Lt. Michael Skinner, 509th Medical Support Squadron bioenvironmental engineering element chief. "They're committed to and understand the mission of the 509th Bomb Wing. They believe in the mission and are willing to do anything to get it done."

Although seven of its members are deployed, the remaining bioenvironmental members have maintained high standards and larger workloads.

"I think it's a great accomplishment that with so little people we can accomplish something so big," said Staff Sgt. Erin Winder, 509th MDSS bioenvironmental technician.

Second Lt. Michael Horezniak, 509th MDSS bioenvironmental engineer, said the staff members are willing to take the extra workload left by the deployed members.

The bioenvironmental staff is responsible for ensuring Whiteman members work in a safe environment protected from hazardous chemicals. Staff members perform water tests, air sampling and air monitoring to help ensure a healthy work force.

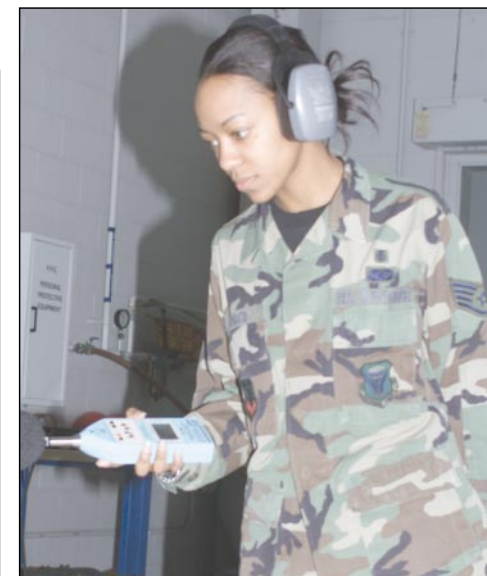
The staff also tests and fits gas masks, and performs noise surveys to see which military members may need hearing protection.

The staff members also respond to broken arrow incidents, chemical spills and any situation where harmful substances can possibly be released. Airman 1st Class Hans Umhoefer said these don't happen often, but the bioenvironmental staff must be prepared. Members participate in active responses exercises every two weeks to hone their response skills. They're also responsible for communicating information on what hazardous chemicals can do and what they effect.

"I think (winning the award) shows the quality of the people that work here," said Horezniak. "Everyone here is really good at what they do and they're willing to put in the extra hours."



Staff Sgt. Joey Potaczek, 509th Medical Support Squadron, inspects a gas mask. He is a member of the squadron's bioenvironmental flight.



Bioenvironmental technician Staff Sgt. Erin Winder, 509th Medical Support Squadron, uses a noise meter to check noise levels of a pneumatic blower.

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What's Happening

Education

For more details, visit
<https://wwwmil.whiteman.af.mil/509mss/educ/homepage.htm>

DANTES certification offered

The DANTES certification program is offering free A+ Core Hardware and A+ OS Technologies certification testing to active-duty and Reserve members. Call 687-5750 for more information.

Community

CE sponsors Amnesty Days

The 509th Civil Engineer Squadron Environmental Flight sponsors hazardous material Amnesty Days 8 a.m.-2p.m. today and 8 a.m.-noon Saturday at the Resource, Recovery and Recycling Center on 3rd Street. Amnesty Days give base members a chance to turn in cleaners, pesticides, oils, tires, unknown paints and other hazardous materials. Call Pat Martinez at 687-2017 for more details.

Luncheon set

A Women's History Month luncheon begins at noon March 31 at Mission's End. Call 2nd Lt. Lucinda Zepeda at 687-7674 for more details.

Earth Day 2003 scheduled

Reservations are being taken for Earth Day 2003 concession spaces. Earth Day takes place 10 a.m.-1 p.m. April 22 at the 442nd Fighter Wing five-bay hangar. Concessions are needed to feed more than 1,000 students and teachers during this celebration. Reservations will be made on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Reservations can be made via email to Meladee Bay meladee.bay@whiteman.af.mil. A reservation sheet will be e-mailed to interested parties. The reservation deadline is March 31 and a mandatory meeting begins at 1 p.m. April 1 at the community center. Call Bay for more details at 687-6533.

Spouses' meeting set

The 509th Communications Squadron spouses meet at 6:15 p.m. Monday at Stars & Strikes. Prizes will be awarded to people with the highest and lowest scores, and the most gutter balls. The upcoming "While You Were Out" charity project will also be discussed. Call Katherine Perce at 563-2107 for more details.

Legal services available

The 509th Bomb Wing Legal Office provides notary and powers of attorney service 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. weekdays and no appointment is necessary. Will preparation and other legal assistance is available without an appointment 8-10 a.m. Mondays and Tuesdays, and 1-3 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays. For more information, call 687-6809.

Commissary closes for a day

The commissary will be closed April 7 for its annual inventory. It will re-open at 8 a.m. for early bird shopping for 15 items or less and at 10 a.m. for regular shopping April 8. Call 687-5655 for more details.

Volunteers needed

People who are Whiteman Officers' Spouses Club or Whiteman Enlisted Com-

munity Organization members are needed to volunteer at the Thrift Shop. The Thrift Shop is open 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays. Call 563-3910 for more information.

Summer employment open

Summer employment will be available for clerical, computer aid, lifeguard, recreation, aid, library assistant, gardener and general laborers. For more information, visit the Web site at <http://www.afpc.ran-dolph.af.mil/jobs>

Airmen's Attic open

The Airmen's Attic opens for all ranks at 10 a.m. Monday. Adult and children's clothing, household items and some furniture are available.

Riders honor service members

The Central Missouri Sedalia Chapter of the Harley Owners Group invites Whiteman motorcycle riders to join in a motorcycle ride at 4:30 p.m. April 5. The ride is in honor of military members. For more information call Tony Sahlfeld at 563-3358.

Lifeguard training offered

The Johnson County American Red Cross offers lifeguard training beginning at 5:30 p.m. April 2 at the Central Missouri State University multi-purpose building. The 13-session course ends April 30. Registration ends Wednesday. Call 660-747-5173 for more information.

Family Support

Call 687-7132 for details on these events or other family support center activities. Events take place at the FSC.

Pre-separation briefing set

A pre-separation briefing for people separating from the military begins at 9 a.m. Monday.

Representatives from the MPF, family support center, Reserve and finance office will provide information. The military personnel flight separations and retirements office schedules members for this briefing.

FSC offers financial refresher

A financial briefing for senior airmen and below not attending the First-Term Airmen Center begins at 1 p.m. Monday. Reservations are required.

Employment seminar set

A seminar to help people locate jobs on base and in the local community begins at 9 a.m. Tuesday. Reservations are encouraged.

Class helps with move

A mandatory smooth move seminar for people planning to move overseas begins at 1 p.m. Tuesday. Facilitators will discuss the financial benefits associated with moving and provide a variety of useful resources. Orders aren't necessary and spouses are encouraged to attend.

WIC representative visits base

A WIC representative is available beginning at 8:30 a.m. Thursday. WIC includes nutrition education, health promotion and a supplemental food program. Call the WIC office for more details. in Warrensburg at 660-747-2012.

Registration open for 2003 Air Force marathon



Photos by Airman Joe Lacdan

Shawn Booher, 509th Logistics Readiness Squadron, warms up before the 2002 Air Force Marathon hosted by Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Ohio. Booher ran with a Whiteman relay team that finished 191st among 340 teams.

By Susan Murphy

Aeronautical Systems Center Public Affairs

WRIGHT-PATTERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Ohio (AFP) — Registration is under way for the 2003 U.S. Air Force Marathon scheduled here for Sept. 20.

Runner categories have changed slightly from past years. A 5K fun run and a 1/2 marathon have been added. There will no longer be a marathon team category. The marathon, four-person Ekiden-style relay team and wheelchair categories remain unchanged.

The Air Force Marathon, traditionally held the third Saturday of September, is open to all levels of marathoners, civilians and military, from around the world. More than 3,200 runners participated in the marathon in 2002 representing nearly every state and six countries.

The first U.S. Air Force Marathon was held here Sept. 20, 1997, to coincide with the Air Force's 50th anniversary. U.S.A. Track and Field, the governing body of long-distance running in the United States, certified the course in 1997. Air Force Marathon officials asked for certification in order to assure participants the course is exactly 26 miles, 385 yards.

Runners will receive a uniquely designed T-shirt and patch. Participants who finish the marathon within the eight-hour time limit will receive a medallion.

Reduced fees for early registration are available until June 30. The registration deadline is Sept. 4.

To register, or for more information, visit the marathon Web site at <http://afmarathon.wpafb.af.mil/>, or call the marathon office at 937-257-4350 or 800-467-1823.



Dana Phillips, 509th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, ran solo at the 2002 Air Force Marathon, finishing 224th among 329 female runners. Phillips clocked five hours, 29 minutes and 36.4 seconds. Registration for the 2003 Air Force Marathon is under way.

Sports Shorts

Skate park certification a must

To use the skate park, skaters must receive certification at the community center. There is a \$5 certification fee. Uncertified skaters will be asked to leave the park and could be suspended from using it without certification. Call Connie Koch at 687-5617 for more details.

Soccer/softball players needed

Sign ups for the base intramural soccer and softball leagues are available. Those interested can sign up at the fitness center or call Senior Airman Cynthia McMillan at 687-5496. Letters of intent to play soccer are due Monday. A soccer coaches meeting begins 1 p.m. Wednesday in the community center. Letters of intent to play softball are due April 23. A softball coaches meeting begins at 1 p.m. April 25 in the community center.

Varsity softball tryouts

Varsity softball tryouts take place April 1-11. Sign up at the fitness center or call Senior Airman Cynthia McMillan for more details at 687-5496.

Intramural coaches needed

Coaches are needed for each squadron's intramural soccer, softball and golf teams. The deadline for soccer is Saturday, March 28 for golf and April 22 for softball. Call Marcus Oglesby at 687-3445 for more information.

Bowling fundraiser set

A bowling tournament begins at 1 p.m. March 28 at Stars & Strikes to raise money for Whiteman's varsity volleyball team. Games and shoe rental are free. Each player should have five sponsors donating \$5 each. Cash prizes will be awarded to the top three teams. For more details, call Tech. Sgt. Bruce Turner at 687-6134.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp

Something Special

Senior Airman Howell Heron, 509th Services Squadron, presents Special Olympian Scott Wright with a silver medal. Heron was one of seven Whiteman members who volunteered at the 2003 Special Olympics State Basketball Classic at Blue Springs High School in Blue Springs, Mo., Saturday. The other volunteers were: Mike Orrison, Greg Hauser, Senior Airman Grace Dimapasoc and Airman 1st Class Moises Alhambra, 509th SVS, Staff Sgt. Francesca Popp, 509th Bomb Wing, and Airman 1st Class Lejhade Menchavez, 394th Combat Training Squadron.



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Child Development Center **687-5588**

Child development openings

The child development center has openings in its full-time class for children ages 3-5. The cost is based on income. Call for more details.

Mission's End **687-4422**

\$25,000 in club scholarships

Current club members and their families can submit an essay in the club member scholarship program. Each entry must be submitted to Maj. Scott Ross, 509th Services Squadron commander by July 15. Call for more information.

Royal Oaks Golf Course **687-5572**

Chili bowl tournament

A chili bowl golf tournament begins at 9 a.m. March 29. The cost is \$15 for entry fees and includes chili. Cart and greens fees are not included. Sponsored in-part by Crown Ford. No federal endorsement of sponsor intended.

Community Center **687-5617**

Beautiful baby contest

Parents can enter their child, 12 months and younger, in the annual beautiful baby contest through Saturday at the community center. No copyrighted photos are allowed. The public will anonymously pick winners until March 28. Prizes will be awarded for the top three winners.

Champions of chess

A chess tournament takes place 1-6 p.m. Saturday. The cost is \$5. Light refreshments will be served and medals will be awarded to the first- through third-place finishers.

Pool tournament

A pool tournament begins at 7 p.m. today. The cost is \$5 per player.

'Wanna Trade?' card swap

Card collectors can display or swap cards 2-4 p.m. March 29. The event is free and light refreshments will be served.

Stars & Strikes Bowling Center **687-5114**

Luck of the Irish bowling ball contest

Bowlers can win a bowling ball now through March 31. Participants can receive a ticket to be placed in a drawing during open bowling only. The drawing will be held April 1.

Bowling event for spouses of deployed

Spouses of deployed military members can bowl for half price at 5-9 p.m. Mondays beginning April 7. Dependents can bowl free. Rental shoes are \$1 per pair. Bring a copy of deployed spouses orders each visit.

Teen Center **687-5819**

Friday night flick

Teens can bring a movie to watch or can choose from the teen center's selection at 7 p.m. March 21. The cost is \$1 for nonmembers.

Fitness Center **687-5495**

Gym closure

The fitness center hours will be 9 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday. The facility will close three hours early due to restriping the floors. We are sorry for any inconvenience.

Varsity softball try-outs

Varsity softball tryouts take place April 1-11. Anyone wanting to try out must sign up at the fitness center.

Youth Center **687-5586**

Junior teen hangout

Fifth through seventh graders can play games or watch TV with friends 6-9 p.m. March 29. The cost is \$2 for members and \$3 for nonmembers.

B.R.I.D.G.E.

Five- through- 12-year-old children of deployed military members can participate in games 3-5 p.m. Saturday. Call 687-5586 each Monday to make reservations. This program is offered each Saturday by the youth center and is free.

Before-and after-School program

The youth center has openings in before- and after- school programs 6:30-8:15 a.m. and 3:10-6 p.m. weekdays. Care is provided on out-of-school days and early-out days, except federal holidays. Program fees are based on total family income. For more information, call 687-5586.

Can't B-2 cool

Register 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m. today through April 15 for the school-age program summer camp care. The cost is based on total family income. The camp is available for first through sixth grades. Children must have completed first grade.

Outdoor Recreation **687-5565**

Katy Trail bike ride

Ride the Katy Trail from Rocheport, Mo., to Hartsburg, Mo., 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. March 29. The cost is \$7 and a free bike will be provided if needed. Sign up by Thursday.

Equipment Rental

- ✓ Power tools are half price this month
- ✓ Rinse-N-Vac carpet cleaners are \$10 per day
- ✓ Rent a car tote for \$20 per day



Let's go camping

Steve Gallagher, 509th SVS, points out trails offered at Knob Noster State Park. Families can camp for free 5 p.m. April 4 to 11 a.m. April 6 at Knob Noster State Park. Camping equipment is provided. Bring appropriate clothing, food and firewood. Sign up at outdoor recreation by March 31. Community service events are planned for mornings and free time is given in the afternoons.



Thanks Bill

Bill Stienke of First Command Financial Planning, presents a check to Sarah Muller, 509th Services Squadron sports director, for the Whiteman Youth Sports Program. No federal endorsement of sponsor intended.

Whiteman Base Theater

Friday

About Schmidt R 7 p.m.
Starring -- Jack Nicholson & Hope Davis
Warren has arrived at several of life's crossroads at the same time. He's retiring, his only daughter is about to marry and his wife dies suddenly after 42 years of marriage. He's desperate to find something meaning in his unimpressive life.

Saturday

Shanghai Knights PG-13 7 p.m.
Starring -- Jackie Chan & Owen Wilson
Chong Wang and Roy O'Bannon head to London after Chong's estranged father is murdered by a Chinese rebel. Chong's sister, Lin, also arrives and uncovers a plot to murder the royal family.

Sunday

The Recruit PG-13 5:30 p.m.
Starring -- Al Pacino & Colin Farrell
Set in the "secret" CIA training facility called the Farm at Camp Peary in Virginia, a young agent trainee suspects his instructor of being a double agent for the Chinese government.

Adults \$3 Youth \$1.50
Movie recording line 687-5110
Movies are subject to change due to availability.

Comedy Night

Club members can enjoy Steve McGrew and David Graham for comedy night 8-10 p.m. March 28 at Mission's End.

The cost is \$10 per person.

*Steve McGrew has worked comedy clubs, on TV and opened for Billy Crystal, Dolly Parton, BB King and other stars. He was a semi-finalist on Star Search.
*David Graham has been in comedy clubs from St. Louis to Wisconsin and shared the stage with Sinbad, Chris Rock, Adam Sandler, David Spade and Jimmie Walker.



Steve McGrew



David Graham